## CHAPTER 1 DEFINITIONS

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**193A—1.1(542C) Definitions.** The following definitions shall be applicable to the rules of the board of accountancy.

Act. The term "Act" refers to the "Public Accountancy Act of 1974."

AP. The term "AP" means accounting practitioner.

*Board*. The term "board" refers to the accountancy examining board established by Iowa Code section 542C.3.

*Certificate.* The term "certificate," when used, means the certificate of certified public accountant granted under Iowa Code section 542C.5.

Contested case. The term "contested case" means any adversary proceeding before the board to determine whether disciplinary action should be taken against a licensee under Iowa Code chapter 542C, or any other proceeding designated a contested case under the law or by these rules.

 ${\it Corporation}$ . The term "corporation" means a professional corporation under Iowa Code chapter 496C.

CPA. The term "CPA" means certified public accountant.

Ethics and enforcement committee. The term "ethics and enforcement committee" means a committee of five board members which is responsible for reviewing and investigating disciplinary complaints and handling other matters related to licensee discipline or referred to it by the board.

*Firm.* The term "firm" means a sole proprietorship (individual practitioner), a partnership of CPAs or APs, a professional corporation of CPAs or APs, a professional limited company of CPAs or APs, or the office of the auditor of state, state of Iowa, when the auditor of state is a certified public accountant.

Full-time employment. The term "full-time" employment means the usual and customary 40-hour workweek.

*License.* The term "license," when used, means the license of accounting practitioner granted under Iowa Code section 542C.7, 542C.8 or 542C.13.

Managing partner, managing shareholder, or managing member. The term "managing partner," "managing shareholder," or "managing member" means the designated individual with ultimate responsibility for the operation of a firm's practice.

Office. The term "office" means any work space identified or advertised to the general public as being connected with any firm of CPAs or APs where business is conducted.

Partnership. The term "partnership" means any partnership of CPAs or APs under Iowa Code chapter 486 as amended by 1994 Iowa Acts, chapter 1049.

*Permit.* The term "permit," when used, means the permits granted under section 542C.20, to practice as a certified public accountant, public accountant, accounting practitioner or a firm of certified public accountants, public accountants or accounting practitioners in the state of Iowa.

*Person.* The term "person" shall, unless the context indicates otherwise, include individuals, partnerships, corporations, and professional limited companies.

*Person associated with a CPA or AP.* The term "person associated" means any partner, shareholder, member, employee, assistant, or independent contractor of a CPA or AP firm.

*Professional Limited Company, PLC.* The term "professional limited company" means a professional limited liability company under Iowa Code chapter 490A, subchapter XV.

*Respondent.* The term "respondent" means any person against whom a formal statement of charges has been filed, or any person whose legal right provided for in Iowa Code chapter 542C shall be determined or affected.

State. The term "state," when not referring specifically to this state, means any state, territory or insular possession of the United States or District of Columbia.

*Year.* The term "year," when used in the context as a time measurement of experience in accounting work, means a period of 365 days during which the employment was full-time and the services performed were those customarily performed by full-time regularly employed employees.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code chapter 542C.

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